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REPUBLICAN POSSIBILITIES.

Many Prominent Men Mentioned for Congress. There has been a good deal of talk recently among the Virginia Republicans in Washington on the subject of the coming Congressional Campaign in Virginia, and the names of the probable candidates of the Republican party have come in for their share of discussion.

At an impromptu gathering in the lobby of the Raleigh a few nights ago of several prominent members of the machine the following "slate" was thought to be the strongest that could be put up against the present solid Democratic delegation from the Old Dominion:

In the First District there is no possible hope for the Republicans, so no one will be put up. In the Second the condition is practically the same, for notwithstanding the fact that Bowden, Thorpe, General Groner, Lawrence D. Groner, Hugh Gordon Miller, Edgar Allan and a number of other "strong" Republicans are located therein, the leading members of the machine appear to have no great confidence in the ability of their party to land a Congressman from among them.

In the Third there is "nothing doing." Even with the prospects of a big fight between Captain John Lamb and Mr. Jefferson Wallace for the Democratic nomination, the Republicans do not feel that they could accomplish anything there.

In the Fourth C. E. Wilson, of Mecklenburg, will be put up. In the Fifth Beverly Davis, at present a member of the Constitutional Convention from Rocky Mount, will come out against Swanson. The Republicans place great hopes upon carrying the Fifth. They say it is a strong Republican district and Davis' personality will be a potent factor in the race. Swanson doesn't seem much troubled at the outlook, and the Democrats who have heard of the intentions of the Republicans to put Davis in the field against Swanson display a marked lack of uneasiness.

Said one of the Virginia delegation to-day in speaking of the matter: "Swanson is a hard man to beat in his district, and the fur will fly before he is defeated at the coming election."

In the Sixth the hopes of the Republicans are centered on J. Hampton Hoge. An effort has been made to lead Captain Patrick McAnul to the slaughter, but "Pat" smiles broadly and says, "Nay, nay." "I am tired of running," said Captain McAnul, in speaking of the proposition. "If the boys want somebody to stand up to get the gaff in the breastbone, they may look further." So the probabilities are that Hoge will be pressed into service to trot around in the sixth making speeches against Major Oney.

ROSSER MAY RUN. In the Seventh General Rosser is said to be casting about for the Republican nomination, but the "machine" will not support him, and without the backing of that powerful influence the chances for the success of any Virginia Republican are extremely slender—so the "machine" men say.

In the Eighth no one will come out for the G. O. P. Joe Crupper, the postmaster at Alexandria, is the strongest man in the district, but since Rixey has got for the Alexandria a \$60,000 appropriation for additions to their public building, no one could beat him in that section of the State.

From the ninth there is great talk of Judge T. M. Alderson as an opponent to Judge Rhea, but in spite of the claims that the ninth is a Republican district, there seems to be no one anxious to try conclusions with Judge Rhea. They have not forgotten the Judge's aggressive campaign against General Walker, and they are still shy of the tall, gray-eyed Democrat. Although Judge Rhea has been handicapped by a contest during the present session, he has been very active before the departments in a quiet way, looking after the interests of his constituents, with whom he stands quite firm at present.

George A. Revercomb is the hope of the tenth, if he can be persuaded to come out. "We may not be able to get him out this time, but we will bring him out in 1904 and carry the district with a whoop." In the meantime the "machine" is lifting up its head a little and going about the department asking for offices in the name of the "Virginia Republican Organization," while a few months ago certain of its leading lights could not be drawn to the White House or the departments with log chains.

Fads of Millionaires. All our great financiers have their fads. J. P. Morgan's hobby is art, and in a lesser degree yachting. John D. Rockefeller lies awake nights thinking of colleges which need endowments, and incidentally enjoys golf. Andrew Carnegie concluded long ago that what we ordinary mortals need is books with a big B, and would rather endow a library than tell funny stories or play golf, both of which he can do well. E. H. Harriman is devoted to trotting and show horses, and takes more real delight in his model farm at Arden and his annual horse show at Goheen than he does in marking Union Pacific up 10 points. James R. Keene is a pillar of the turf, and has been known to postpone important business matters to see a favorite horse carry his colors to victory in some stake event. James Stillman is devoted to the bicycle. George Gould is essentially a "home" man, but takes pleasure in outdoor sports. Polo, particularly is his hobby. Among others Jacobs Schiff, would rather walk and ride; Jefferson Seligman and Albert Bostwick, are devoted to the automobile. Edward King, president of the Union Trust Company, has rarely missed a day for years from his horse's back.—Town Topics.

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There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other disease put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it a constitutional one. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, sold by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surface of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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Unhappy Lies, Etc.

An American chiroprapist now in Berlin advertises that he "has removed corners from all the crowned heads of Europe."—Berlin Letter in the Chicago Record-Herald.

The late Hazen Pingree, when Mayor of Detroit, started a system of vacant lot gardening for the poor of cities. The custom has since fallen into disuse in the city where it was started, but other cities have developed the plan and last year the gardens in Philadelphia yielded \$30,000 worth of produce. The expenses, amounting to \$4,500, were met by subscriptions from philanthropic citizens. In Philadelphia and other cities the plan will be further developed during the coming year.

The Horse Show at Leesburg will be held July 3d and 4th.

Unlucky States for Women.

American persons who desire to "marry off" their daughters should be careful not to dwell in New York, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina or Georgia, or the District of Columbia. Of the whole United States, these states are the only ones in which there are more women than men. Of them New Jersey offers the most hope, for there are only 149 women left over. In New Hampshire there are only 830 more women than men, so the chances are not so bad there, either. But New York has almost 50,000 more women than men, and Little Rhode has 8,000. The District of Columbia presents a striking spectacle. There, in the home of the Government and the center of the strenuous life, are 14,700 more women than men. Ten thousand of them are colored.

Unmarried women who are willing to change their condition should hurry to California, where 165,000 men couldn't possibly get a helpmate within their own State. Texas is almost as poorly supplied, for 109,090 men would be left lonely in a rush for the womenfolk. In Minnesota there are 113,586 men who are doomed to be bachelors if they remain in the State, and in Illinois 124,014 men couldn't get a partner if the entire population of the State were to try to pair off.

In the entire United States men preponderate by 1,315,097. The difference was still greater 10 years ago. Since then the female side of the population has gained slightly—a fraction over 1 per cent.

Uncle Sam's Great Growth.

Uncle Sam has grown to a little more than 14 times what his size was in 1802—100 years ago—in point of population. He has jumped from 5,308,483 to 76,304,799.

All of the population of the country in 1802 could have been accommodated without trouble in the New York city of today.

In 100 years the States have changed places completely, with the exception of Pennsylvania. In 1800 they ranked thus in population: Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, North Carolina and Massachusetts.

Now they rank: New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Missouri, Virginia, that was first in the beginning, now is seventeenth in the list, which betokens a dying out of the F. F. V. She hung on well until 1850, dropping back from first to second and from second to third, and so on, until in that year she was tenth. Since 1810 Illinois has jumped from the twenty-fourth place to the third.

The increase of whites has been in a greater proportion than that of the colored element in the last 10 years.

We are becoming more American every year. The increase in native-born inhabitants since 1890 is 22 per cent., against an increase of only 12 per cent. in the foreign-born element.

There are 7,700 less Chinese in the country than there were 10 years ago. There are 6,900 less Indians. Japanese have increased wonderfully—497 per cent. There are 85,986 of them in the United States this year.—Chicago Tribune.

Work Gives Long Life.

The Medical Record, in a recent issue, has an interesting article on longevity as affected by occupations. The Record quotes from Dr. Arlidge, an English physician, who has recently published the results of years of close study of the subject. "Dr. Arlidge has decided that the indolent rich are the shortest lived of all classes, and gives as the cause of this seeming anomaly that they worry their lives away. Doing nothing, or existing without a definite and serious aim in life, leads inevitably to a constant round of so-called pleasures, but which is really nerve-racking labor of the most wearing kind, known as killing time. The man of means and of leisure becomes sated with amusement, and finally life to him is not worth living. Of course all the rich do not come under this category, and Dr. Arlidge excepts the philanthropists who have a purpose, and the rich traveler who has his diversions, and the gifted youth, who lavishly squanders nature's best gifts, soon finds that he has killed his zest for enjoyment, and he either dies of pure ennui, or literally burns himself out."

Sat on White House Floor.

Among the excursionists flocking to the White House recently were many pretty young women in summer gowns. Arrangements had been made for them to see the President and shake his hand at 9:30 o'clock. The young women gathered in the East Room promptly and awaited the coming of the President. Finally, when the clock struck 11 and the President was still engaged, one of the girls said she could not stand it any longer and seated herself on the floor.

Half a dozen more followed her example, and in five minutes half the summer girls in the East Room had found seats on the carpet. They sat in the most unconcerned manner and chatted about the sights they were missing while they were waiting.

When the President finally appeared the word went down the line like magic and the girls scrambled to their feet and shook out their skirts. Then they all shook hands with the President, and he told each he was delighted to see her.

Like a Drowning Man.

"Five years ago a disease the doctor called dyspepsia took such hold on me that I could scarcely go," writes Geo. S. Marsh, well-known attorney of Nocona, Tex. "I took quantities of pepin and other medicines but nothing helped me. As a drowning man grabs at a straw I grabbed at Kodol. I felt an improvement at once and after a few bottles am sound and well." Kodol is the only preparation which exactly reproduces the natural digestive juices and consequently is the only one which digests any good food and cures any form of stomach trouble. D. C. Bowman.

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The crutch is a poor substitute for legs, and affords a very inconvenient and tiresome mode of locomotion—there is no more pathetic sight than a person slowly and painfully moving along the street supported by these artificial limbs.

When Rheumatism settles in the bones and muscles of the legs, it is safe to predict that the victim will eventually become helpless and crutch-bound. The corrosive, irritating matter that is deposited in the joints and muscles causes the most intense pain, the knees and ankles swell, and when the natural oils and fluids that lubricate these parts are completely destroyed the joints become locked and the muscles drawn and stiff, and crutches a necessity.

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